ITTEMINISTE-R -OF-INDUSTRY (SHRL .1. VENGAL RAO): (a) *Ya,* Sir. Investments in Central Public Sector Undertakings is a continuous process.

(b) The figures for 1987-88 are not yet available as the audited accounts of public Seotor Undertakings will be av abailable only by the end of September, 1988.

(c) and (d) Investments decision in Public Sector Undertakings are taken on techno-economic considerations keeping in view the need for balanced regional development. Ins-vestments in loss making enterprises cannot be ruled out.

Equipment Procurement by a Foreign Party for Farakka Thermal Power Station

*479. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: SHRI ASHWANT KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether an order for 5).) MW power generation equipment for Farakka Thermal Power Station his been procured by some foreign party; if so,-the-total value - of the order in crores of inpees along with the scop; of the equipment, names of the foreign contractors, names and addresses of the Indian or foreign agents, foreign exchange component, quantum and terms and conditions of any foreign aid received for this project and its source;

(b) whether BHEL has the capability

to supply the above equipment; if so, what are the reasons for rejecting' BHEL's claim/offer along with the foreign exchange component in BHEE's quotation: and .

(e) what are the reasons for not inviting global tenders alongwith inbuilt financial packages as has been done for HBJ gas pipeline?

THE MINISTBR OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI) : (a) The desired information regarding Power generation equipment procured from foreign contractors for Farraka Super Thermal Power Station Stage-II is given beiow:—

SI. No.	Namsofths Equipment	Foreign Contractor	Value of the order in Rs. crores'	Foreign Exchange component	Name and address of the Indian or foreign agents
1	2	3	4	5	6
	(i) Steam Generator and BLcti PrjcipUatoi Package	M/s Amaldo Components . Sp.\ofI»al>	210.57	DM 255.147 millions plus US S 26.795 millions	No agent was declared by the contractor

1	2	3	4	S	6
(u) 33 KV Switchscar		M/s Msidensha Corporation Japan	0.65	Japanese Yen 67,153,800	Uo agent declared by the contrac or
(iii) 6.6 KV XLPf. Cables		M/s Gold Star Cables Co. Ltd, Kcrea	0.97	US$739,148	-do-
(iv) LT Indoor Transformers		M/s Rade Koncar, Yugeslavia	0.21	US $151,418	-do-
(v) Unit Station Transformers		-do-	1.73	US$1,271,262	-00-
(vi) Generator Transformers		-do-	6.35	US $4,316,241	-So-
(vii) Water Pre-treatmeni Plant Package		: M/sPreussag AG. West Germany	1.27	DM 996,?07	-do-
(viii) Noose Conductor		M/s Import Yugoslavia	11.65	US $ 8,868,900	-do-
(tx) Insulator		M/s Ceravar, France	0.35	US $ 272,480	M/s Indian Insulators Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi.

The following external assistance has been tied-up for Parakka Super Termal Power Project Stage II:—

Source		Quantum	Terms and Conditions
(i) World Bank		US $300.8 Million	The loan assistance is repayable in half yearly instalments from Mo v., 1989 to No v., 2003. The interest rate *to* the Govt, of India is 0.5% above the cost of the qualified borrowings.
(H) Italy	(a)	Grant-DM 15.73 million by Govt, of Italy	The Italian assistance is meant for procuring goods and services from thai country. The soft loan, is repayable in twenty (!0) consecutive equal semi-annual principal instalment starting after 126 months from the date of signature of the financial convention (i.. 14-7-1987). The (i.e) i rate is 1.5 % per a nnum paya We from the date of each draw downs. The Buyers' credit
	fb)	Soft Loan—DM 144.20 million by Gcvt.of Italy	
	(c)	Buyer's—DM 169.1 credit million	
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Source	Quantum	Terms and Conditions
		is repayable in 20 consecutive equal semi annual principal instalments starting after 68 months from the date of signning of the credit (i.e. (14-3-1987). The interest rate is 6.48% per annum payable on each 14th March and 14th September depending on the drawdowns made.
(lii) KFW Bilateral Credit	DM 70 million	Tnis credit covers two portions- portion I is for meeting the local costs of supplies of HP Piping by M/s BHEL and portion II is for meeting the costs of supplies from German sources.

(b) and (c) The BHEL has the capability to suppiy the above mentioned equipment procured from foreign sources. Since the Italian assistance for the Steam Generator and Electrostatic Precipitator packages was available only if orders were placed on the Italian suppliers, procurement was not feasible from M/s BHFX. In respect of the portion of the equipment for the project covered by the World Bank financing, global tinders were invited. While the orders for turbine generators and other major equipment packages valueing bout Rs. 80 crores were placed on BHEL, some orders as per details given in reply to part (a) of th; Question, totalling to about Rs. 23.19 crores, were bagged by the foreign bidders.

Parallel Postal Services

*480 SHRI BEKAL UTS AH I : SHRIMATI RAT AN KUMARI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a number of parallel postal services working clandestinely in various parts of the country at present; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) what is the mode of operation of sU3h parallel postal services;

(c) what is the estimated loss to Government on account of functioning of such services; and

(d) what action Government have taken to check sinh activities?